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Application Number	09/612,733
Filing Date	7/10/2000
First Named Inventor	JOHN T. KENNEDY
Art Unit	2828
Examiner Name	C. JACKSON
Attorney Docket Number	DES-0003

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114

a. Previously submitted

- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

- i. Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

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b. Other

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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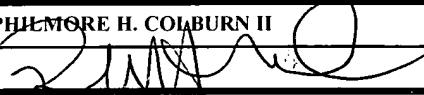
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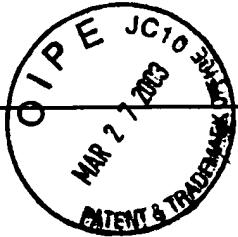
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed January 13, 2003, applicants have filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in order to present new claims for consideration.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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